Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS:

See Résumé of Congressional Activity.

Senate confirmed the nomination of J. Leon Holmes, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Arkansas.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages \$7529-\$7687

Measures Introduced: Four bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2607–S. 2610, and S. Res. 398.

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Measures Reported:

Reported on Wednesday, June 30, during the adjournment:

S. 2351, to establish a Federal Interagency Committee on Emergency Medical Services and a Federal Interagency Committee on Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council. (S. Rept. No. 108–291)

Reported today:

S. 1735, to increase and enhance law enforcement resources committed to investigation and prosecution of violent gangs, to deter and punish violent gang crime, to protect law abiding citizens and communities from violent criminals, to revise and enhance criminal penalties for violent crimes, to reform and facilitate prosecution of juvenile gang members who commit violent crimes, to expand and improve gang prevention programs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute

Measures Passed:

National Airborne Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 322, designating August 16, 2004, as "National Airborne Day" Pages \$7590-92

National Health Center Week: Senate agreed to S. Res. 357, designating the week of August 8 through 14, 2004, as "National Health Center Week" Pages \$7590-92

National ADD Awareness Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 370, designating September 7, 2004, as "National Attention Deficit Disorder Awareness Day"

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Class Action Fairness Act: Senate began consideration of S. 2062, to amend the procedures that apply to consideration of interstate class actions to assure fairer outcomes for class members and defendants

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 10:30 a.m., on Wednesday, July 7, 2004 Page S7684

Messages From the President: Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, the legislation and supporting documents to implement the United States-Australia Free Trade Agreement (FTA); which was referred to the Committee on Finance. (PM–90)

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Appointments:

National Commission on the Cost of Higher Education: The Chair announced the following appointment made by the Democratic Leader during the adjournment: Pursuant to Public Law 105–18, on behalf of the Democratic Leader, the appointment of Clare M. Cotton, of Massachusetts, to serve as a member of the National Commission on the Cost of Higher Education on June 30, 2004 Page \$7590

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

By 51 yeas 46 nays (Vote No. Ex. 153), J. Leon Holmes, of Arkansas, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Arkansas

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nomination:

Keith Starrett, of Mississippi, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Mississippi Page S7687

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Messages From the House: Pages S7576-77 Measures Referred: Page S7577 Measures Placed on Calendar: Page S7577 **Enrolled Bills Presented:** Page S7577 **Executive Communications:** Pages S7577-80 **Executive Reports of Committees:** Page S7580 Additional Cosponsors: Pages S7580-82 Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:45 a.m., and adjourned at 7:38 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, July 7, 2004. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page \$7684.)

Record Votes: One record vote was taken today.

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of David M. Stone, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security.

House of Representatives

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Chamber Action

Privilege of the Floor:

Measures Introduced: 10 public bills, H.R. 4756–4765; and 4 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 469, and H. Res. 702-704 were introduced.

Additional Cosponsors: Pages H5195-96

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows: Omitted from the Record of June 25, 2004: H.R. 3936, to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the principal office of the United States Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims to be at any location in the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area, rather than only in the District of Columbia, and expressing the sense of Congress that a dedicated Veterans Courthouse and Justice Center should be provided for that Court and those it serves and should be located, if feasible, at a site owned by the United States that is part of or proximate to the Pentagon Reservation (H. Rept. 108–574, Pt. 1);

Filed on June 28, 2004: H.R. 3980, to establish a National Windstorm Impact Reduction Program, amended (H. Rept. 108–575, Pt. 1);

Filed on June 30, 2004: H.R. 3247, to provide consistent enforcement authority to the Bureau of Land Management, the National Park Service, the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, and the Forest Service to respond to violations of regulations regarding the management, use, and protection of public lands under the jurisdiction of these agencies, to clarify the purposes for which collected fines may be used, amended (H. Rept. 108-511, Pt. 2);

Filed on July 1, 2004: H.R. 4754, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005 (H. Rept. 108-576);

Filed on July 1, 2004: H.R. 4755, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005 (H. Rept. 108-577);

Filed on July 1, 2004: H.R. 4516, to require the Secretary of Energy to carry out a program of research and development to advance high-end computing, amended (H. Rept. 108-578);

Filed on July 1, 2004: H.R. 3890, to reauthorize the Steel and Aluminum Energy Conservation and Technology Competitiveness Act of 1988, amended (H. Rept. 108-579);

Filed on July 1, 2004: H.R. 4218, to amend the High-Performance Computing Act of 1991 (H. Rept. 108-580);

Filed on July 1, 2004: H.R. 3598, to establish an interagency committee to coordinate Federal manufacturing research and development efforts in manufacturing, strengthen existing programs to assist manufacturing innovation and education, and expand outreach programs for small and medium-sized manufacturers, amended (H. Rept. 108-581);

H.R. 1914, to provide for the issuance of a coin to commemorate the 400th anniversary of the Jamestown settlement, amended (H. Rept. 108-472, Pt. 2);

H.R. 2768, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of Chief Justice John Marshall, amended (H. Rept. 108–473, Pt. 2);

H.R. 3277, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the 230th Anniversary of the United States Marine Corps, and to support construction of the Marine Corps Heritage Center, amended (H. Rept. 108–474, Pt. 2);

H.R. 4362, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to accept a parcel of Federal land in the State of Washington in trust for the Nisqually Tribe, to ensure that the acceptance of such land does not adversely affect the Bonneville Power Administration (H. Rept. 108–582, Pt. 1); and

H. Res. 701, providing for consideration of H.R. 4754, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005 (H. Rept. 108–583).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Culberson to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today.

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Private Calendar: On the call of the Private Calendar, the House passed H.R. 530, for the relief of Tanya Andrea Goudeau; H.R. 712, for the relief of Richi James Lesley; H.R. 867, for the relief of Durreshahwar Durreshahwar, Nida Hasan, Asna Hasan, Anum Hasan, and Iqra Hasan; and S. 103, for the relief of Lindita Idrizi Heath. Pages H5153–54

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Recognizing the 25th anniversary of the adoption of the Constitution of the Republic of the Marshall Islands: H. Con. Res. 410, amended, recognizing the 25th anniversary of the adoption of the Constitution of the Republic of the Marshall Islands and recognizing the Marshall Islands as a staunch ally of the United States, committed to principles of democracy and freedom for the Pacific region and throughout the world, by a ²/₃ yea-and-nay vote of 379 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 326;

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Eisenhower Exchange Fellowship Program Trust Fund Enhancement Act of 2003: H.R. 2121, to amend the Eisenhower Exchange Fellowship Act of 1990 to authorize additional appropriations for the Eisenhower Exchange Fellowship Program Trust Fund;

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James E. Worsham Post Office and James E. Worsham Carrier Annex Building Redesignation Acts: H.R. 3340, to redesignate the facilities of the United States Postal Service located at 7715 and 7748 S. Cottage Grove Avenue in Chicago, Illinois, as the "James E. Worsham Post Office" and the

"James E. Worsham Carrier Annex Building", respectively; Pages H5159-60

Vitilas "Veto" Reid Post Office Building Designation Act: H.R. 4327, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 7450 Natural Bridge Road in St. Louis, Missouri, as the "Vitilas 'Veto' Reid Post Office Building";

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Perry B. Duryea, Jr. Post Office Building Designation Act: H.R. 4427, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 73 South Euclid Avenue in Montauk, New York, as the "Perry B. Duryea, Jr. Post Office"; and

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Expressing the sense of Congress that the President should posthumously award the Presidential Medal of Freedom to Harry W. Colmery: H. Con. Res. 257, expressing the sense of Congress that the President should posthumously award the Presidential Medal of Freedom to Harry W. Colmery, by a ½3 yea-and-nay vote of 381 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 327.

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Recess: The House recessed at 3:01 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m. **Page H5165**

Presidential Message: Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted legislation and supporting documents to implement the United States-Australia Free Trade Agreement—referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and ordered printed (H. Doc. 108–199).

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H5153.

Senate Referrals: S. 2401, S. 2402, and S. 2403 were held at the desk.

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Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H5196–97.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H5165 and H5165–66. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 11:04 p.m.

Committee Meetings

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction approved for full Committee action the Military Construction appropriations for fiscal year 2005.

DEFENDING AMERICA'S MOST VULNERABLE: SAFE ACCESS TO TREATMENT AND CHILD PROTECTION ACT OF 2004

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security held a hearing on H.R. 4547, Defending America's Most Vulnerable: Safe Access to Drug Treatment and Child Protection Act of 2004. Testimony was heard from Catherine M. O'Neil, Associate Deputy Attorney General, Department of Justice; Robert J. Cramer, Special Investigator, GAO; Tyrone V. Patterson, Manager, Model Treatment Center, Department of Health, District of Columbia; and a public witness.

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE, JUDICIARY AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing 1 hour of general debate on H.R. 4754, making appropriation for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, State, Judiciary and Related appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. Under the rules of the House the bill shall be read for amendment by paragraph. The rule waives points of order against provisions in the bill for failure to comply with clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized appropriations or legislative provisions in an appropriations bill), except as specified in the resolution. The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Wolf and Serrano.

Joint Meetings UZBEKISTAN

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe (Helsinki Commission): On Thursday, June 24, Commission concluded a hearing to examine democratization and human rights in Uzbekistan in light of the impending decision by the Department of State whether to certify Uzbekistan to continue receiving assistance from the United States, after receiving testimony from Lorne W. Craner, Assistant Secretary for Democracy, Human Rights and Labor, and Lynn Pascoe, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Europe and Eurasia, both of the Department of State; H.E. Abdulaziz Komilov, Republic of Uzbekistan Ambassador to the United States; Fred Starr, Johns Hop-

kins University Paul H. Nitze School of International Studies (SAIS) Caucasus-Central Asia Institute, and Martha Olcott, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, both of Washington, D.C.; Abdurahim Polat, Birlik Party, Springfield, Virginia; and Veronika Leila Szente Goldston, Human Rights Watch, New York, New York.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D686)

H.R. 1822, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3751 West 6th Street in Los Angeles, California, as the "Dosan Ahn Chang Ho Post Office". Signed on June 25, 2004. (Public Law 108–239)

H.R. 2130, to redesignate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 121 Kinderkamack Road in River Edge, New Jersey, as the "New Bridge Landing Post Office". Signed on June 25, 2004. (Public Law 108–240)

H.R. 2438, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 115 West Pine Street in Hattiesburg, Mississippi, as the "Major Henry A. Commiskey, Sr. Post Office Building". Signed on June 25, 2004. (Public Law 108–241)

H.R. 3029, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 255 North Main Street in Jonesboro, Georgia, as the "S. Truett Cathy Post Office Building". Signed on June 25, 2004. (Public Law 108–242)

H.R. 3059, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 304 West Michigan Street in Stuttgart, Arkansas, as the "Lloyd L. Burke Post Office". Signed on June 25, 2004. (Public Law 108–243)

H.R. 3068, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2055 Siesta Drive in Sarasota, Florida, as the "Brigadier General (AUS-Ret.) John H. McLain Post Office". Signed on June 25, 2004. (Public Law 108–244)

H.R. 3234, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 14 Chestnut Street in Liberty, New York, as the "Ben R. Gerow Post Office Building". Signed on June 25, 2004. (Public Law 108–245)

H.R. 3300, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 15500 Pearl Road in Strongsville, Ohio, as the "Walter F. Ehrnfelt, Jr. Post Office Building". Signed on June 25, 2004. (Public Law 108–246)

H.R. 3353, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 525 Main Street in Tarboro, North Carolina, as the "George Henry White Post Office Building". Signed on June 25, 2004. (Public Law 108–247)

- H.R. 3536, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 210 Main Street in Malden, Illinois, as the "Army Staff Sgt. Lincoln Hollinsaid Malden Post Office". Signed on June 25, 2004. (Public Law 108–248)
- H.R. 3537, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 185 State Street in Manhattan, Illinois, as the "Army Pvt. Shawn Pahnke Manhattan Post Office". Signed on June 25, 2004. (Public Law 108–249)
- H.R. 3538, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 201 South Chicago Avenue in Saint Anne, Illinois, as the "Marine Capt. Ryan Beaupre Saint Anne Post Office". Signed on June 25, 2004. (Public Law 108–250)
- H.R. 3690, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2 West Main Street in Batavia, New York, as the "Barber Conable Post Office Building". Signed on June 25, 2004. (Public Law 108–251)
- H.R. 3733, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 410 Huston Street in Altamont, Kansas, as the "Myron V. George Post Office". Signed on June 25, 2004. (Public Law 108–252)
- H.R. 3740, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 223 South Main Street in Roxboro, North Carolina, as the "Oscar Scott Woody Post Office Building". Signed on June 25, 2004. (Public Law 108–253)
- H.R. 3769, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 137 East Young High Pike in Knoxville, Tennessee, as the "Ben Atchley Post Office Building". Signed on June 25, 2004. (Public Law 108–254)
- H.R. 3855, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 607 Pershing Drive in Laclede, Missouri, as the "General John J. Pershing Post Office". Signed on June 25, 2004. (Public Law 108–255)
- H.R. 3917, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 695 Marconi Boulevard in Copiague, New York, as the "Maxine S. Postal United States Post Office". Signed on June 25, 2004. (Public Law 108–256)
- H.R. 3939, to redesignate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 14–24 Abbott Road in Fair Lawn, New Jersey, as the "Mary Ann Collura Post Office Building". Signed on June 25, 2004. (Public Law 108–257)
- H.R. 3942, to redesignate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 7 Commercial Boulevard in Middletown, Rhode Island, as the "Rhode Island Veterans Post Office Building". Signed on June 25, 2004. (Public Law 108–258)

- H.R. 4037, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 475 Kell Farm Drive in Cape Girardeau, Missouri, as the "Richard G. Wilson Processing and Distribution Facility". Signed on June 25, 2004. (Public Law 108–259)
- H.R. 4176, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 122 West Elwood Avenue in Raeford, North Carolina, as the "Bobby Marshall Gentry Post Office Building". Signed on June 25, 2004. (Public Law 108–260)
- H.R. 4299, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 410 South Jackson Road in Edinburg, Texas, as the "Dr. Miguel A. Nevarez Post Office Building". Signed on June 25, 2004. (Public Law 108–261)
- H.R. 4589, to reauthorize the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families block grant program through September 30, 2004. Signed on June 30, 2004. (Public Law 108–262)
- H.R. 4635, to provide an extension of highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other programs funded out of the Highway Trust Fund pending enactment of a law reauthorizing the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century. Signed on June 30, 2004. (Public Law 108–263)
- S. 2238, to amend the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968 to reduce loses to properties for which repetitive flood insurance claim payments have been made. Signed on June 30, 2004. (Public Law 108–264)
- S. 2507, to amend the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act and the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 to provide children with increased access to food and nutrition assistance, to simplify program operations and improve program management, to reauthorize child nutrition programs. Signed on June 30, 2004. (Public Law 108–265)
- H.R. 3378, to assist in the conservation of marine turtles and the nesting habitats of marine turtles in foreign countries. Signed on July 2, 2004. (Public Law 108–266)
- H.R. 3504, to amend the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act to redesignate the American Indian Education Foundation as the National Fund for Excellence in American Indian Education. Signed on July 2, 2004. (Public Law 108–267)
- H.R. 4322, to provide for the transfer of the Nebraska Avenue Naval Complex in the District of Columbia to facilitate the establishment of the head-quarters for the Department of Homeland Security, to provide for the acquisition by the Department of the Navy of suitable replacement facilities. Signed on July 2, 2004. (Public Law 108–268)

S. 1848, to amend the Bend Pine Nursery Land Conveyance Act to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to sell the Bend Pine Nursery Administrative Site in the State of Oregon. Signed on July 2, 2004. (Public Law 108–269)

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of July 7 through July 10, 2004

Senate Chamber

On *Wednesday*, at approximately 10:30 a.m., Senate will continue consideration of S. 2062, Class Action Fairness Act.

During the balance of the week Senate may consider any other cleared legislative and executive business.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Armed Services: July 8, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Admiral Vernon E. Clark, USN, for reappointment to the grade of admiral and to be Chief of Naval Operations; and Lieutenant General James E. Cartwright, USMC, for appointment to the grade of general and to be Commander, United States Strategic Command, 9:30 a.m., SR–222.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: July 8, to hold hearings to examine S. 2411, to amend the Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974 to provide financial assistance for the improvement of the health and safety of firefighters, promote the use of life saving technologies, achieve greater equity for departments serving large jurisdictions, 9:30 a.m., SR–253.

Committee on Finance: July 7, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Patrick P. O'Carroll, Jr., of Maryland, to be Inspector General, Social Security Administration, and J. Russell George, of Virginia, to be Inspector General for Tax Administration, Timothy S. Bitsberger, of Massachusetts, to be an Assistant Secretary, and Paul Jones, of Colorado, to be a Member of the Internal Revenue Service Oversight Board, all of the Department of the Treasury, 10 a.m., SD–215.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: July 7, to hold hearings to examine juvenile detention centers, 10 a.m., SD-342.

July 8, Financial Management, the Budget, and International Security, to hold hearings to examine the federal government's financial statement and accountability of taxpayer dollars at the Departments of Defense and Homeland Security, 10:30 a.m., SD–342.

Committee on the Judiciary: July 7, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Michael H. Schneider, Sr, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Texas, 10 a.m., SD–226.

July 7, Subcommittee on Constitution, Civil Rights and Property Rights, to hold hearings to examine U.S. efforts to combat human trafficking and slavery, 2 p.m., SD–226.

July 8, Full Committee, business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

Select Committee on Intelligence: July 7, closed business meeting to consider pending intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH–219.

House Committees

Committee on Appropriations, July 7, Subcommittee on the District of Columbia, to mark up the District of Columbia appropriations for fiscal year 2005, 10 a.m., H–140 Capitol.

July 9, full Committee, to mark up the following appropriations for fiscal year 2005: Foreign Operations, Export Financing and Related Programs; and Military Construction, 9:15 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, July 7, hearing on Army and Marine Corps troop rotations for Operation Iraqi Freedom 3 and Operation Enduring Freedom 6 and the mobilization of the Army's Individual Ready Reserve, 10:30 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

July 8, hearing on the economic, technology, vocational and skills implications of the Department of Defense trade offsets, 9 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, July 7, hearing entitled "Examining Cash Balance Pension Plans: Separating Myth from Fact," 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, July 7, Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet, hearing entitled "Voice Over Internet Protocol Services: Will the Technology Disrupt the Industry or Will Regulation Disrupt the Technology?" 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

July 8, Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality, hearing entitled "United Nations Oil for Food Program," 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

July 8, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "Assessing Digestive Diseases Research and Treatment Opportunities," 11 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, July 7, Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, to continue hearings entitled "Part II—Ensuring Accuracy and Accountability in Laboratory Testing: Does the Experience of Maryland General Hospital Expose Cracks in the System?" 3 p.m., 2203 Rayburn.

July 7, Subcommittee on Energy Policy, Natural Resources and Regulatory Affairs, hearing entitled "Driving Down the Cost of Filling Up," 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

July 7, Subcommittee on Government Efficiency and Financial Management and the Subcommittee on National Security, Emerging Threats and International Relations, joint oversight hearing entitled "Business Process Modernization at the Department of Defense, 2 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

July 7, Subcommittee on Technology, Information Policy, Intergovernmental Relations and the Census, oversight hearing entitled "Defining Federal Information Technology Research and Development: Who? Where? What? Why? And How Much?" 1:30 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

July 8, full Committee, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 4380, To designate the facility of the United States

Postal Service located at 4737 Mile Stretch Drive in Holiday, Florida, as the "Sergeant First Class Paul Ray Smith Post Office Building;" H.R. 4381, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2811 Springdale Avenue in Springdale, Arkansas, as the "Harvey and Bernice Jones Post Office Building;" H.R. 4442, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1050 North Hills Boulevard in Reno, Nevada, as the "Guardians of Freedom Memorial Post Office Building" and to authorize the installation of a plaque at such site; H. Res. 646, Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that there should be established a National Community Health Center Week to raise awareness of health services provided by community, migrant, public housing, and homeless health centers; and H. Res. 684, Honoring David Scott Tidmarsh, the 2004 Scripps National Spelling Bee Champion; followed by a hearing entitled "Beneficial or Critical? The Heightened Need for Telework Opportunities in the Post-9/11 World," 10:15 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

July 8, Subcommittee on Human Rights and Wellness, hearing entitled "Trafficking in Persons: The Federal Government's Approach to Eradicate This Worldwide Problem," 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on House Administration, July 7, hearing on Electronic Voting System Security, 11 a.m., 1310 Longworth.

Committee on International Relations, July 7, Sub-committee on International Terrorism, Nonproliferation and Human Rights, hearing on United States Support of Human Rights and Democracy, 1:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, July 7, to mark up the following bills: S. 2363, To revise and extend the Boys and Girls Clubs of America; and H.R. 4518, Satellite Home Viewer Extension and Reauthorization Act of 2004, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

July 8, Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property, to mark up H.R. 4586, Family Movie Act of 2004, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, July 8, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, oversight hearing entitled "The Aging of the Energy and Minerals Workforce: A Crisis in the Making?" 2 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

July 8, Subcommittee on National Parks, Recreation and Public Lands, to mark up of the following bills: H.R. 1630, Petrified Forest National Park Expansion Act of 2003; H.R. 2457, Castillo de San Marcos National Monument Preservation and Education Act; H.R. 3954, Rancho El Cajon Boundary Reconciliation Act; and S. 1576, Harpers Ferry National Historical Park Boundary Revision Act of 2003, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

July 8, Subcommittee on Water and Power, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 3391, Provo River Project Transfer Act; H.R. 4459, Llagas Reclamation Groundwater Remediation Initiative; and H.R. 4606, Southern California Groundwater Remediation Act; followed by a hearing on the following bills: S. 943, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to contract with the city of Cheyenne, Wyoming, for storage of the city's water in the Kendrick Project, Wyoming; H.R. 4588, Lower Rio Grande Valley Water Resources Conservation and Improvement Act of 2004; and H.R. 4650, Witchita Project Equus Beds Division Authorization Act of 2004, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, July 7, to consider the following bills: H.R. 4755, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005; and H.R. 3598, Manufacturing Technology Competitiveness Act of 2004, 3:30 p.m., H–313 Capitol.

Committee on Small Business, July 7, hearing on the Rebate of Value Added Taxes at the Border and the Competitive Disadvantage for U.S. Small Businesses, 2 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

July 8, Subcommittee on Tax, Finance and Exports, hearing entitled "H.R. 1818, Workforce Health Improvement Act of 2003: Healthy Employees; Healthy Bottom Line," 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, July 8, Subcommittee on Aviation, oversight hearing on National Capitol Region Air Space Control: A Review of the Issues Surrounding the June 9, 2004 flight of "N24SP," 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

July 8, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 784, Water Quality Investment Act of 2003; H.R. 4470, To amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to extend the authorization of appropriations for the Lake Pontchartrain Basin Restoration Program from fiscal year 2005 to 2010; H.R. 4688, To amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to reauthorize the Chesapeake Bay Program; and H.R. 4731, To amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to reauthorize the national Estuary Program, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, July 8, Subcommittee on Health, to mark up a measure to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to enter into certain capital leases, 9:30 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, July 7, hearing on Implementation of the United States-Morocco Free Trade Agreement, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Select Committee on Homeland Security. July 8, hearing entitled "Practice Makes Perfect: Strengthening Homeland Security by Exercising Terrorism Scenarios, 1 p.m., 210 Cannon.

Joint Meetings

Conference: July 7, meeting of conferees on H.R. 3550, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, 2 p.m., SD-G50.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

SECOND SESSION OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the Senate and House. The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 20 through June 30, 2004

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

January 20 through June 30, 2004

	Senate	House	Total	Civilian nominations totaling 410, (including 195 nominations carried	
Days in session	85	70		over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Time in session	640 hrs., 25'	518 hrs., 41'		Confirmed	131
Congressional Record:				Unconfirmed	
Pages of proceedings	7,528	5,151		Withdrawn	
Extensions of Remarks		1,292		Returned to White House	
Public bills enacted into law	17	50	67		
Private bills enacted into law				Other civilian nominations totaling 2,324, (including 5 nominations	
Bills in conference	3	13		carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Measures passed, total	245	317	562	Confirmed	1,266
Senate bills	56	20		Unconfirmed	1,057
House bills	63	128		Withdrawn	1
Senate joint resolutions	4	1		Air Force nominations, totaling 7,999, (including 3,572 nominations	
House joint resolutions	1	4		carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Senate concurrent resolutions	19	8		•	
House concurrent resolutions	21	47		Confirmed	- 10
Simple resolutions	81	109		Unconfirmed	2,649
Measures reported, total*	147	166	313	Army nominations, totaling 2,117, (including 594 nominations carried	
Senate bills	91	5		over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
House bills	38	109		Confirmed	1,910
Senate joint resolutions	2			Unconfirmed	,>
House joint resolutions		1			
Senate concurrent resolutions	4			Navy nominations, totaling 6,360, (including 2,444 nominations car-	
House concurrent resolutions	2	6		ried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Simple resolutions	10	45		Confirmed	5,825
Special reports	1	2		Unconfirmed	535
Conference reports	1	2		Marine Corps nominations, totaling 1,224, (including 2 nominations	
Measures pending on calendar	230	127		carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Measures introduced, total	763	1,405	2,168	•	
Bills	602	1,053		Confirmed	
Joint resolutions	13	17		Unconfirmed	14
Concurrent resolutions	34	120		C	
Simple resolutions	114	215		Summary	
Quorum calls		1		Total nominations carried over from the First Sesssion	6,812
Yea-and-nay votes	152	196		Total nominations received this Session	13,622
Recorded votes		128		Total confirmed	15,692
Bills vetoed				Total unconfirmed	4,726
Vetoes overridden				Total withdrawn	15
				Total returned to the White House	1

^{*}These figures include all measures reported, even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 71 reports have been filed in the Senate, a total of 168 reports have been filed in the House.

Next Meeting of the SENATE 9:30 a.m., Wednesday, July 7

Senate Chamber

Program for Wednesday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 60 minutes), Senate will continue consideration of S. 2062, Class Action Fairness Act.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 10 a.m., Wednesday, July 7

House Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Consideration of Suspensions:

- (1) H.R. 4218—High-Performance Computing Revitalization Act of 2004:
- (2) H.R. 4516—Department of Energy High-End Computing Revitalization Act of 2004;
- (3) H.R. 3890—To reauthorize the Steel and Aluminum Energy Conservation and Technology Competitiveness Act of 1988;
- (4) H.R. 3980—National Windstorm Impact Reduction Act of 2004;
- (5) H.R. 1856—Harmful Algal Bloom and Hypoxia Research Amendments Act of 2003; and
- (6) H. Con. Res. 301—Supporting the goals and ideals of the World Year of Physics.

Consideration of H.R. 4754, Department of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2005 (open rule, one hour of debate).



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